

I have heard interference created on HF and VHF by BPL technology. This new technology will eliminate all amateur radio communications. As RACES officer for Vanderburgh County, Indiana, I would not expect any of the volunteers in my RACES group to stay in amateur radio if they must communicate over BPL interference. The public service they volunteer to provide must be balanced by enjoyment from this hobby, but I can assure you that nobody will put up with that interference. BPL technology is clearly not developed well enough to be deployed. The promoters of this idea should go back to the "drafting board" and continue their work, resubmitting their proposal when they have taken care of this problem. If BPL technology is worthwhile, then it is worth doing the engineering to get it right. I am surprised that the proposers are so presumptuous as to offer us such an imperfect product. I do not think they should be allowed to use this half-baked new technology to destroy another service that has been a valuable resource to the country since the beginning of radio. (Norm King, W9AU)